

X 10 JUNE 1991

Roger "Slim" Cain

Roger C. "slim" Cain, 47, Kalispell, died Monday, June 10, at Brendan House following a brief illness.

He was born July 31, 1943 at Tacoma, Washington, the son of Clarence R. and Ada Cain. He was raised and educated in Montana, attending school in both Joplin and Kalispell. He graduated from Flathead County High School.

Following graduation, Roger served in the U.S. Navy from 1960 to 1964. he was stationed at Kauai, Hawaii, and Bremerton, Washington, and received numerous commendations and awards.

For the past ten years, Roger had been a computer programmer for Buttrey Stores. He worked in Kalispell, but helped set up computer programs for other stores.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Roger was a bachelor. He is survived by his mother, Ada Groven of Kalispell; one sister, Jean Buchholz of Coos Bay, Oregon; one brother, Don Groven of Havre; two half brothers, Bill and Clem Cain, both of Spokane, Washington; an uncle, Howard Cady of Kalispell; and a number of other relatives.

Graveside services were Thursday, June 13, 2:00 p.m. at Glacier memorial Gardens, with Rev. Darold Reiner, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Arrangements were by the Weatherford Funeral Home & Crematory in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorial contributions to Trinity Lutheran Church or Brendan House.

DI 29 MARCH 1991

Nancy Ann Campbell, 37

Nancy Ann Campbell, 37, of Whitefish, died Friday at Kalispell Regional Hospital as the result of injuries she received from an auto accident Wednesday.

She was born Jan. 24, 1954, in Seattle, to Donald and Beverly Negri. She was raised in Washington and graduated from Sammamish High School in Bellevue in 1972.

She was married to Larry Campbell on Dec. 3, 1978, in Issaquah, Wash. They moved to Whitefish a year ago, and owned and operated Grizzly Hats and Chocolates.

She was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church in Whitefish.

Surviving family members include her husband, Larry, and two sons, Jason and Brett, all at the family home in Whitefish; her parents, Donald and Beverly Negri of Whitefish; three brothers, James Negri of Redmond, Wash., Howard Negri of Whitefish, and Donald Negri Jr. of Wichita Falls, Texas; a sister, Joan Barrow of Whitefish; and several aunts and uncles and other relatives.

Memorial Mass will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Charles Catholic Church in Whitefish with the Rev. John Hunthausen as Celebrant.

Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish is in charge of arrangements.

DI 9 JUNE 1991

Raymond Cameron, 71

Raymond Cameron, 71, Kalispell, died at his home on June 9 of natural causes. 1991

He was born Oct. 28, 1919, in Beaver Township, Iowa, a son of Chester and Grace Cameron. He received his schooling in Iowa and then served in the CCC for a time.

In 1941 he entered the U.S. Air Force where he served until receiving his honorable discharge in 1949.

He then came to Montana and had resided in the Flathead much of the time since then. He had done farm and ranch work.

On June 15, 1969, he was married to Viola Holst who preceded him in death on March 16, 1982.

Mr. Cameron was a member of the VFW and the Kalispell Eagles Lodge.

He is survived by two brothers, Don Cameron of Grand Island, Neb., and Harold Cameron of Orange City, Iowa; three sisters, Marjorie Lawshe and Mildred Christensen, both of Adair, Iowa, and Lillian Deal of Ames, Iowa; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Springcreek Cemetery with military honors being conducted by the United Veterans Organization. Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 p.m. today.

PI 11 Nov. 1991

Grace Carlson, 69

Grace Carlson, 69, Kalispell, died Nov. 11 of natural causes at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born June 19, 1922, at Tryon, Okla., the daughter of Harry and Minnie Cromer. She was raised and educated in Oklahoma, graduating from high school in Cushing. After graduating from business college in Oklahoma City, she worked for a paint retailer in that city.

Grace came to Oregon City, Ore., in 1943, where she was a welder at the shipyard iron works.

On June 30, 1944, she married Arnold R. Carlson Jr., in Vancouver, Wash. The couple resided briefly in Oregon City, before moving to Pasadena, Calif., where her husband attended Pasadena Nazarene College in preparation for the ministry. Grace was employed by the California Institute of Technology for about six months, and then began her banking career with Pacific National Bank of Pasadena.

In 1951, the Carlsons began their pastoral ministry. Her life centered around the Nazarene Church from that time on, but she continued to work part-time in various banks. Grace loved to entertain, and was very active in music ministry, playing both the organ and the piano.

The Carlsons started their ministry in California, serving churches in Exeter, Denair, Bakersfield, River-

side and Redwood City. In 1972, they were called to Springfield, Ore., where they served for eight years, moving to Casper, Wyo., in 1980. In June of 1983, Arnold was elected district superintendent, and they came to Billings. They moved to Kalispell one week ago, in preparation for retirement.

Surviving are her husband, the Rev. Arnold R. Carlson Jr., at the family home; one son, Philip Carlson of Fountain Valley, Calif.; one sister, Bess Allen of Snow, Okla.; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a number of other relatives and friends.

Services will be held today at 11:30 a.m. at Kalispell First Church of the Nazarene, with the Rev. Larry D. Coen officiating. Services will also be held this Friday at 11 a.m. at Billings First Church of the Nazarene, Saturday at 11 a.m. at Casper First Church of the Nazarene, and on Dec. 21 at the Springfield, Ore. First Church of the Nazarene.

The Weatherford Funeral Home & Crematory is in charge of arrangements and cremation.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the American Heart Association, 435 Second St. E., Kalispell, or to the Rocky Mountain District Home Mission Fund, 3004 Third Ave. N., Great Falls 59401.

TVN 21 FEB 1991

Ruth M. Carpenter, 94

Ruth M. Carpenter, 94, of Eureka, died Thursday, Feb. 21, at her home in Eureka.

She was born May 6, 1896, at Kalispell, the daughter of Charles Palmer and Mary Hatfield Palmer. She was raised and educated in the Eureka and Rexford area where her father had owned and operated a sawmill.

She married Roy Rhodes Aug. 1, 1914, at Kalispell. They had resided in Eureka where she had worked at Montana Market and Eureka Commercial.

She later had resided in Kalispell where she had worked as a cook for one of the valley schools.

Her husband, Roy, preceded her in death in 1954.

She had resided in the Libby area for a short period of time where she had been employed by St. John Lutheran School.

She married Orville G. Carpenter July 28, 1963, at Kalispell, and they had made their home in Eureka since that time.

She had been a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Eureka.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Effie, in 1954; a grandson; and a stepson, Donald Carpenter, in 1990.

She is survived by her husband, Orville Carpenter, of Eureka; a daughter, Eva Hammond of Bellingham, Wash.; two sons, James Rhodes of Billings, and Robert Rhodes of Tracy, Calif.; a daughter-in-law, Bonnie Carpenter of Eureka; 10 grandchildren and several great- and great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be Thursday, Feb. 28, at 1 p.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Eureka with the Rev. Wayne Berkoben officiating. Burial services will be at 4 p.m. at Spring Creek Cemetery in Kalispell.

Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Vial Funeral Home in Eureka and from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday at the church.

Memorials may be made to the Eureka Ambulance, Box 736, Eureka, Mt. 59917.

X 26 MAY 1991

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Charles Carpenter, 86

Charles W. "Charlie" Carpenter, 86, Kalispell, died May 26 of natural causes at North Valley Extended Care in Whitefish.

Mr. Carpenter is survived by his wife, Gladys Rice Carpenter, at the family home; two sons, including Paul Carpenter of Whitefish; one sister; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Public services are not planned. Arrangements are by the Weatherford Funeral Home & Crematory in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 2411, Great Falls 59403.

KU 2 MAY 1991

Alvy Casper

Alvy Bernard Casper, businessman, investor and long-time Bigfork resident, passed away at Brendan House in Kalispell on Thursday (May 2nd) of natural causes at the age of 80. 1991

Alvy was preceded in death by his wife, the late Kathleen M. (Higgins) Casper, in 1983. Together, they were committed to providing for the welfare of troubled children, establishing the Casper Endowment at Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation in 1981.

Alvy met his wife at an Indian Conservation Corps meeting in the early 1940s. Alvy, a camp safety director, and Kathleen, a nurse, served on the Ft. Peck and Blackfoot Reservations respectively. Their relationship grew into a life-time commitment to each other when they married.

After defending our country in the South Pacific during World War II, Alvy returned to northwestern Montana, where Kathleen and he opened a general store at Woods Bay on Flathead Lake. In the early 1950s, they welcomed two Cuban boys to their home as foster children. Both boys graduated from Bigfork High School and joined the military. They went on to become successful businessmen and fathers.

Alvy and Kathleen won many awards and trophies for their champion Smooth Standard Dachshunds. Because their dogs won three time best Breed honors in the Portland Dachshund Specialty, they ultimately earned the coveted Challenge Trophy.

Alvy and Kathleen leave a legacy of philanthropy for children's sake. Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation recognized the Caspers for their steadfast generosity by naming for them the Kathleen Casper Auditorium, located on the Yellowstone campus in Billings.

Alvy was born in 1910 at Homestead, Montana, eight miles west of Culbertson. He graduated from Froid High School, where he played on the 1928 championship basketball team. Alvy attended the University of Montana and Montana State University. Alvy had three brothers and five sisters who predeceased him. He is survived by a numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were Wednesday (May 8th) at Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell, with Rev. FR. Robert Noonan, Pastor of St. Matthew's Catholic Church, officiating. Interment followed at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Casper Endowment at Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation, P.O. Box 80807, Billings, MT. 59108

X 16 JUNE 1991

John Caughey, 79

John Caughey, 79, a resident of the Montana Veterans Home, Columbia Falls, died June 16 at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish. 1991

He worked for Great Northern Railroad and retired in April 1973 because of a disability. For the past nine years he had lived at the Montana Veterans Home.

He is survived by his good friends Dan and Bonnie Hodges of Whitefish.

Graveside services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at Montana Veterans Home Cemetery in Columbia Falls, with military graveside rites given by the members of the VFW clubs.

Funeral arrangements were made through Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

X 23 MARCH 1991

Anna H. Channel

Anna H. Channel, 98, Olney, died March 23, at the Colonial Manor Nursing Home in Whitefish. 1991

She was born Jan. 12, 1893, in St. Paul, Minn., a daughter of John and Carrie Ross.

She was raised in Minnesota and married Leonard Hans Channel on April 27, 1918, in Minnesota.

They moved from Ray, Minn., to Olney in 1939 and lived in Whitefish for a short time. She was a member of the Olney Community Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Jan. 4, 1955.

Since Nov. 2, 1987, she has resided at Colonial Manor.

She is survived by four daughters, Pearl Howell, Anoka, Minn., Violette Presnell, Kalispell, Wanda Burgess, Bend, Ore. and Norma Burk, Olney; one son, Edgar Channel, Cororan, Minn.; 13 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were March 26 at the Whitefish Cemetery with Rev. Tim Gould of the Olney Community Church officiating. Casketbearers were Bill Burk, Ronald Burk, Gib Burk, John Marks, Larry Presnell and Pershing Presnell.

X 16 APRIL 1991
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C.O. Christiansen, 73

Clarence Oliver Christiansen, 73, died Tuesday at North Valley Extended Care Unit.

He and his wife moved to Whitefish in 1985. He had been a resident of the extended care unit since a stroke in 1987.

Survivors include his wife, Edna, at the extended care unit, a son, Richard "Dick" Christiansen, and a grandson, both of Whitefish.

A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Friday at the extended care unit.

Austin Funeral Home, Whitefish, is in charge of arrangements.

KN 30 Oct 1991

H. David Christensen, 68

H. David Christensen, 68, of Bigfork and Glendora, Calif., died Oct. 30 of natural causes at Glendora Community Hospital.

He was born Oct. 31, 1922, at Eureka, the son of Henry and Florence Christensen. He was raised in Kalispell and Anaconda, moving with his family to Bigfork in the ninth grade.

He was the first Boy Scout from Bigfork ever to become an Eagle Scout. He graduated from Bigfork High School in 1940, and then received his bachelor's degree in education from the University of Montana at Missoula. His first teaching position was in his hometown of Bigfork.

During World War II, Mr. Christensen was a naval officer in the Philippines.

On Dec. 20, 1946, he was married in Missoula to Jean Eidsbig, who was born and raised in Kalispell. The family moved to Glendora, Calif., in 1954, and Mr. Christensen was a teacher and counselor in the public schools there for 34 years, retiring in 1987.

Over the years, the Christensens always tried to spend part of each year in the Bigfork area. In 1972, they established a scholarship for Bigfork High School graduates attending the University of Montana.

Mr. Christensen is survived by his wife, Jean Eidsbig Christensen at the family home; two sons, David Owen Christensen of Brush Prairie, Wash.; and Daniel Olaf Christensen of Fresno, Calif.; and two grandchildren.

Graveside services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Lonepine Cemetery in Bigfork, with the Rev. Herb Knutsen, pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church, officiating. Military honors will be provided by the United Veterans of the Flathead. Funeral services took place in Glendora on Saturday.

The Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Henry David Christensen Scholarship Fund, Bigfork High School, Bigfork 59911.

KN 31 Dec 1991

Elvira Christensen, 94

Elvira Christensen, 94, died Dec. 31 at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born on a farm near Fosston, Minn., to Thomas and Gaya Bakken. She was the eldest of nine children, all of whom preceded her in death.

She married Albert Amundson in Portland, N.D., in 1918. They farmed north of Chinook until Mr. Amundson's death.

She married Andrew Christensen in 1932, in Chinook, and in 1937, they moved to Whitefish and operated the Cadillac Cafe, and later purchased Andy's Cafe and Whitefish Hotel.

After a move to Santa Cruz, Calif., for Mr. Christensen's health, Elvira operated a bakery. After her husband's death in 1952, she moved to Seattle, Wash., and worked at Boeing as a salad maker for a caterer until retirement age. She then worked in a private girl's school as a cook for several years, retiring at age 75.

She spent many years as a volun-

teer at Group Health Hospital in Seattle.

Elvira has been a resident of Immanuel Lutheran Home since 1981.

She is survived by her children, Surge Amundson of Wassila, Alaska, Virginia Cornelius of Whitefish, Helen Parsons of Kalispell, Carol Crouch of Bigfork; nieces and nephews, Jacklyn and Gene Landry and Tom and Robert Sloan of Washington; 24 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were sons, Curtis Christensen in 1988, and Woodrow and Robert Christensen in 1991.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. John Bent of Christ Lutheran Church of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be in Whitefish Cemetery.

The family has suggested memorials to Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

DI 3 MARCH 1991

Howard Lance Clark, 3

Howard Lance Clark, 3, son of John and Suzanne Clark, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital on Sunday, March 3, 1991.

He was born Jan. 26, 1988, in Kalispell.

He is survived by his parents, John Clark Sr. and Suzanne Clark, a brother, John Clark Jr., and a sister, Suzanne Elizabeth Dawn Clark, all at the family home; his paternal grandmother, Naomi D. Clark Algood of Volga, S. D.; maternal grandfather, Gary Corrigan of Polson; maternal great-grandparents, Marie E. Bramsen,

and Don and Birdie Corrigan, all of Polson; and many other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Carol Lindsay, his paternal grandfather, Howard W. Clark Sr. and his maternal great-grandfather, Arne Leo Bramsen.

Memorial services will be at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Dennis Jingst, pastor of Central Bible Church, officiating.

Cremation and arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Boy electrocuted by stove

^{3 Mar 1991}
Preliminary autopsy reports indicate a 3-year-old Kalispell boy died of electrocution Sunday night at the family home, said Sheriff-Coroner Jim Dupont today.

John and Susan Clark reported finding their son, Howard, unconscious in front of the kitchen stove. Efforts to revive the boy failed.

Dupont and Kalispell Detective Ron Young said the parents reported the oven heating coils in the older-model stove were hanging down and the oven door open when the child was found. The boy had electrical burns on two fingers of each hand, the men said.

County Attorney Ted Lympus said welfare authorities are looking at the living conditions in the home.

He said, "It does not appear at this time there is a basis for criminal charges. The child's death appears to be accidental. The stove was an electrocution waiting to happen. But we have no evidence of physical abuse or criminal action on the part of the parents."

X 20 MAY 1991

Edward A. Clarke

Mr. Edward A. Clarke, 84, died at his home in Kalispell on Monday evening, May 20, of cancer. 1991

He was born December 8, 1906, in the Lake Blaine area near Kalispell, a son of Albert Edward and Anna Louise Clarke. He attended Deer Park School.

On August 25, 1934, he was married to Jeanie Eastwood in Kalispell. Mr. Clarke had done logging and woodwork for a time. He then farmed in the Deer park area for about 10 years. He had also been a driver for the Landry Oil Company for 29 years prior to his retirement. He was a member of the Kalispell Eagles Lodge.

He is now survived by his wife Jeanie, at the family home; one son, Albert Clarke and his wife, Gloria of Lake Havasu City, Arizona; five grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Mr. Clarke were held on Thursday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt of the Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in the Conrad memorial Cemetery.

X 5 APRIL 1991

Robert F. Clemens, 74

Robert F. Clemens, 74, Kalispell, died April 5 in Phoenix, Ariz. 1991

He was a retired sheet metal worker.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Clemens; three children; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Graveside memorial services will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery Saturday at 11 a.m.

X 12 Nov. 1991

Ione Cole

Ione K. Cole, 88, Lakeside, died Tuesday (Nov. 12) of natural causes at the Colonial Manor in Whitefish. 1991

She was born November 28, 1902 at Stacey, Montana, near Miles City, the daughter of Arthur and Bertha Kelsey. Ione was raised on a ranch 70 miles south of Miles City, and was Valedictorian of Miles City High School in 1920. She then received her bachelors degree and teaching certificate at Dillon.

Her first teaching position was a one-room school in Augusta, and she taught for 18 years in various rural Montana schools.

On July 3, 1927, she married Edwin C. Cole in Miles City and they settled in Lewistown several years later.

Ione loved gardening, especially flowering plants. Her husband was a skilled carpenter, who built many flower boxes for her to decorate.

Her husband passed away in 1974, and she came to be with her daughter in Lakeside in 1981. She had been a resident at the Colonial Manor for the past six years.

Ione was a member of First Presbyterian Church and the Order of the Eastern Star, both in Lewiston.

She is survived by one daughter, Jean Kruger of Lakeside; one sister, Alice Choate of Sedro Woolley,

Washington; four grandchildren seven great-grandchildren, and a number of other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, Thomas Cole, and her husband, Edwin Cole.

Graveside Services are planned at Lewistown City Cemetery, under the direction of the Weatherford Funeral Home & Crematory, Kalispell.

DI 7 JAN 1991

Ralph 'Buzz' Cole, 49

Ralph "Buzz" Cole, 49, died at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane following a lengthy illness. 7 Jan 1991

Buzz was born to Virginia and William Ralph Cole in Dallas, Texas, on Sept. 14, 1941.

He grew up in Denton, Texas, and moved with the family to southern California in his youth.

He spent his adult life in Santa Barbara, Calif., where he owned Cy's Gunshop for 12 years.

For about 20 years he was a reserve sheriff's lieutenant and SWAT team member as well as training instructor of weapons and tactics for recruits.

He was an ardent student of military history and recognized by many as an authority on military arms and equipment.

On July 19, 1980, he married Floann (Fritze) Misklevitz, and his passion for shooting, hunting, and fishing brought them to Montana that same year.

At the time of his death he was employed as purchasing agent at the Kalispell Army and Navy Store.

God came into his life in a personal way in 1985 and he became a member of Trinity Lutheran Church. He experi-

enced the Lord's grace in his life and was grateful for his relationship with the Lord. So many have benefitted from his vast knowledge; we are all blessed and better persons for having known him and for having had the privilege of his touching our lives. Our comfort lies in knowing he is free from pain in the arms of his Lord and Savior.

He was preceded in death by his mother.

Survivors include his wife, Fritze and children, Joshua, 9, and Jordan, 7, as well as close friend and previous wife, Dege and daughter, Adrienne "Taffy" Cole, both of Santa Barbara, Calif., and father, William Ralph Cole, Santa Maria, Calif.; sister, Antoinette, Santa Barbara; brother, Steven, San Bernadino, Calif., and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins in Texas.

The body has been cremated and a memorial service is scheduled for Saturday at 2 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell. 12 Jan 1991

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to Lift High The Cross Campaign at Trinity Lutheran Church.

DI 22 JAN 1991

Ella Conat, 94

Ella Conat, 94, a former Olney resident, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 22, at North Valley Extended Care Unit, Whitefish, of natural causes.

She was born Jan. 21, 1897, at Northwood, N.D., the daughter of Nels and Beret Otterstad.

Ella was raised in Turtle River, Minn., and graduated from school there.

She taught school at Pennington and then Turtle River, Minn.

She married Roy Conat Sept. 1, 1920, at Turtle River. The Conats were married for over 67 years. Roy preceded her in death in 1987 and she then became a resident at North Valley Extended Care Unit.

Ella and Roy came to Olney in 1946 from Bemidji, Minn.

She was a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish.

Ella was preceded in death by her par-

ents; her husband, Roy; brothers, Carl and Martin Otterstad; a daughter, Dorothy Sheridan; a stepson, Howard Conat; and a grandson, Robert Conat.

She is survived by two sons, Roy Conat Jr. in Rapid City, S.D., and Donald Conat in Keizer, Ore.; a sister, Anne Remme in Concord, N.C.; nine grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be today from noon to 8 p.m. at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Friday at the funeral home with the Rev. Neil Buckaloo and Dr. Jerry Johnson officiating.

Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens, near Kalispell.

It has been suggested by the family that memorials be made to the North Valley Extended Care Activity Fund.

X 28 DEC. 1991

1991 Norman Conrad

Mr. Norman A. Conrad, 89, of Kalispell, died in the Lake View Care Center in Bigfork on Saturday, December 28, of natural causes. He was born August 25, 1902, in Cross, Wisconsin, a son of Christian and Christina Conrad. He came to Kalispell in March 1906 and had attended the Boorman and Batavia Schools. He had been a farmer and dairyman all of his life until his retirement. He had been a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church and the Modern Woodmen of America for over 50 years. He was also a member of the Kalispell Senior Citizens. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Ed and Werner Conrad and two sisters, Anna Everett and Hattie Knutson, and is now survived by one sister, Frona Hanson of Kalispell and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Thursday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Darold Reiner, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggest memorials be made to the Trinity Mission Fund, 400 California Street, Kalispell, Mt. 59901.

DI 6 MAY 1991

Inez Maxine Muhlestein Conrad, 58

Inez Maxine Muhlestein Conrad, 58, passed away peacefully Monday evening, May 6, at her home in Kalispell following a prolonged confrontation with cancer.

She was born Feb. 18, 1933, in Provo, Utah, to John Wilford and Inez Wilde Muhlestein.

She married Paul Willard Conrad March 4, 1952, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

They lived in Provo, Utah, until 1965; in Logan, Utah, until 1971; in Missoula until 1976; and in Kalispell until her death.

Maxine was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of latter-day Saints (LDS). She was an accomplished pianist and organist. She played for many church services, funerals and programs, and accompanied numerous soloists, groups and choirs. She loved to raise flowers as well as harvest and preserve vegetables and berries from the garden at the family home.

She had been employed by Flathead County as an office assistant III for Area IX Agency on Aging since July 1985.



Survivors include her husband, Kalispell; three daughters and two sons, Pauline Grayson, Salt Lake City, Michelle Ungerman, San Jose, Calif., Mark P. Conrad, Panama City, Fla., Melanie Marrott, Provo, Utah; and Shawn M. Conrad, West Valley City, Utah; three brothers, Donald W. Muhlestein, Payson, Utah; Richard D. Muhlestein, Fruit Heights, Utah, and Steven K. Muhlestein, Orem, Utah; one grandson and two stepgrandsons.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Joyce Muhlestein.

Funeral service will be held Friday, May 10, at 10 a.m. at the LDS Chapel on Buffalo Hill in Kalispell.

Friends may call at Johnson Funeral Home in Kalispell on Thursday, May 9, between 4 and 8 p.m. and at the LDS Chapel on Friday, one hour prior to the services. Another viewing will be held at Berg Mortuary in Provo, Utah, Monday, May 13 at 10 a.m. Graveside services and interment will follow at the Provo City Cemetery.

Because of limitations in transporting flowers to Utah, the family has asked that you direct memorials for Maxine to Flathead Hospice, 1280 Burns Way, Kalispell 59901, or Cancer Center Memorial Fund, c/o Kalispell Regional Hospital Cancer Center, 10 Sunnyview Lane, Kalispell 59901.

DI 20 MARCH 1991

Werner John Conrad, 85

Werner John Conrad, 85, of Kalispell, died of natural causes Wednesday at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born June 26, 1905, in Fountain City, Wis., to Christian and Christina Conrad. He moved with his family to Kalispell on March 17, 1906, and attended Boorman School and Flathead High School.

He married Helen Hansen on Nov. 12, 1931, in Polson. They lived in the Kila and Marion areas of Montana until moving to Kalispell in 1949.

Mr. Conrad worked for the timber industry as log loader-sawyer and also worked in the mills until his retirement in 1967.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church for more than 35 years and was an active member of the senior volunteer program and senior citizens.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother,

Ed Conrad; and two sisters, Anna Everett and Hattie Knutson.

Survivors include his wife, Helen, at the family home; a son, Charles Conrad of Kalispell; a daughter, Cherie Ellingson of McMinnville, Ore.; a brother, Norman Conrad of Kalispell; a sister, Frona Hanson of Kalispell; five grandsons, Scott and Clark Ellingson, Wade, Todd, and Joel Conrad; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Monday at 10:30 at Trinity Lutheran Church with Pastor Darold Reiner officiating. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Friends and family may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation from 1-4 p.m. today.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to Trinity Lutheran Mission and Memorial Fund, Trinity Lutheran Church, Kalispell.

X 19 MAY 1991

Adeline Margaret Cornell, 89



Adeline Margaret Cornell, 89, of Kalispell, died in the Brendan House on Sunday, May 19, of natural causes. 1991

She was born October 24, 1901, near Rock Lake, North Dakota, the youngest of twelve children of Peter and Johanna Geyer. She attended school in Russell and Sarles, North Dakota. She graduated from the North Dakota Normal School at Valley City in 1925 and taught school in Calio, Martin and Russell, North Dakota. In 1928, she moved to Montana and taught at Somers, Deer Park, Spring Creek, Creston and Cayuse Prairie school. She attended the University of Montana at Missoula where in 1969, she received her BA degree in teaching. Adeline retired in 1972 after 52 years of continuous teaching.

Adeline married Ivan E. "Pete" Cornell on May 22, 1933 in Missoula. The couple farmed in the Deer Park area and then later at Spring Creek, west of Kalispell until 1945, at which time, they purchased the then Landwehr's Cabins on North Main Street in Kalispell. The couple enjoyed considerable traveling throughout the United States, Canada, Alaska and Hawaii in their retirement.

Adeline was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Oro-Y-Plata, the Montana Teachers Association, Stillwater Home Demonstration, Northwest Montana Fair and Republican Marathon Bridge Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; and all her brothers and sisters. Survivors include one son, David Elmer Cornell of Talent Oregon; one daughter, Sharon Kay Bawden of Crown Point, Indiana; three grandchildren, Michael Bawden, Sue Lucka and Lesley Bawden all of Indiana; one great grandchild, Christopher Lucka of Indiana; and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Thursday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Rev. Larry Gaylord of First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial was in the Conrad memorial Cemetery.

KN 17 Dec 1991
1991 Clyde Cronce

Clyde Cronce, 79, Kalispell died Tuesday, December 17, at Kalispell Regional Hospital following a brief illness.

He was born February 28, 1912 at Breed, Wisconsin, the son of George and Cora Cronce. He was raised and educated in Breed, and then worked at a Wisconsin paper mill before moving to Kirkland, Washington in 1947. After two years there and another two years in Anchorage Alaska, Mr. Cronce came to Kenai, Alaska, where he lived for nearly 20 years.

Mr. Cronce worked in heavy construction all over Alaska. He was a strong member of the Teamsters Local #955 in Anchorage. In 1970, he retired to St. Maries, Idaho. He lived in Kalispell since 1971. For many years, he wintered in Niland, California.

He was active in the Kalispell Senior Citizens Center, where he enjoyed cardplaying. Mr. Cronce was an avid fisherman, especially icefishing, and also liked hunting and photography.

On June 2, 1971, he married Mabel Billmeyer in St. Maries, and she survives him at the family home in Kalispell. Other family members include one son, Myron, "Mike" Cronce of Kenai, Alaska; one grandson, Randy Cronce, also of Kenai; four great grandsons, and numerous stepchildren, step grandchildren and step great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, one brother, and his first wife, Edith May Cronce, in 1970.

Funeral services were Thursday, December 19, at the Weatherford Funeral Home, with Rev. R. Snipstead, Pastor of Faith Free Lutheran Church officiating. Graveside services were Friday, December 20, at Woodlawn Cemetery in St. Maries, Idaho, with Rev. Steven Hammond, interim

Pastor of St. Pauls Lutheran Church officiating.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the American Heart Association, 435 2nd Street E., Kalispell 59901, or to the American Diabetes Association, Box 2411, Great Falls, MT 59403.

DI 9 MARCH 1991

Mark R. Cronquist, 20

Spec. Mark R. Cronquist, 20, died March 9 in Saudi Arabia, where he was serving with the 651st Quartermaster Co., U.S. Army Reserve.

He was born March 15, 1970, in Bozeman to Mike and Cheryl Cronquist. They lived in various places until the family moved to Columbia Falls in 1983. He graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1988 and enlisted in the 651st Quartermaster Co. in 1988.



He worked for Klingler Lumber Co. in Kalispell as a loader and planer.

He enjoyed the outdoors, riding horses, hunting, and playing the guitar.

He is survived by his mother, Cheryl Sperling of Columbia Falls; his father, Mike Cronquist of Columbia Falls; his brother, Matt Cronquist of Columbia Falls; his sister, Michelle Cronquist of Columbia Falls; his grandmother, Earlene McLeod of Hayden Lake, Idaho; his fiancée, Michelle McAfee, of Kalispell; and many other relatives.

A funeral service will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Patrick McGurk will officiate. Cremation will follow. Military honors will be provided by the 379th Engineer Co., U.S.A.R.

Visitation will be Monday at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorials be made to the Make A Wish Foundation, care of 651st Quartermaster Co., U.S.A.R., P.O. Box 2967, Kalispell, MT, 59903.

DI 19 MAY 1991

Gary Lee Crow, 38

Gary Lee Crow, 38, Hungry Horse, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital early Sunday morning of a heart attack. *19 May 1991*

He was a laborer and had worked at various jobs in the Hungry Horse and Flathead areas for the past seven months.

He is survived by his parents, one sister, and several other relatives, as well as his local friends.

Cremation has taken place.

Memorial services are being planned at a later date in California.

Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

DI 3 JUNE 1991

1991 Josephine A. Crowley, 79

Josephine A. Crowley, 79, of Kalispell, died in Brendan House on Monday, June 3, of natural causes.

She was born June 9, 1911, in St. Cloud, Minn., a daughter of Eugene and Elsie Cael.

When she was 2 years old she moved with her family to Eureka. She attended schools in Eureka and Spokane, Wash. and was a graduate of Lincoln County High School in the class of 1933.

On Dec. 2, 1933, she married David A. Crowley. They farmed north of Eureka until 1947, when they sold the farm and moved into Eureka.

They then owned and operated rental units for 29 years.

In 1976 they moved to Kalispell. Mrs. Crowley was a member of

Our Lady of Mercy Church in Eureka.

She was preceded in death by her husband, David, on March 26, 1990.

She is survived by her son, David D. Crowley, of Kalispell; a brother, Ben Cael of Reno, Nev.; two sisters, Charlotte Larson of Libby, and Jeanie Chapman in California; and several nieces and nephews.

Vigil services will be held at 7 tonight in Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday in Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Eureka with the Rev. Michael Chilton as celebrant. Burial will be in Tobacco Valley.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

DI 10 Oct. 1991

Rufus E. 'Ed' Curtis, 68

Rufus E. "Ed" Curtis, 68, a longtime resident of the Flathead Valley, died of an extended illness Thursday at Brendan House.

He was born Sept. 3, 1923, in Haines Falls, N.Y., to Oliver and Elizabeth Curtis.

In 1946, he married Mary Campbell, of North Dakota, in Los Angeles.

During World War II, he was decorated after distinguishing himself in three of the major island battles in the Pacific Theater, while serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. After recovering from his wounds, he joined the Los Angeles Police Department in 1946 and served 27 years as a police officer. Following his retirement in 1973, he moved his family to a small ranch in the Columbia Falls area.

His passion for Morgan horses eventually led to a favorite pastime of the restoration and refurbishment of antique 18th- and 19th-century horse-drawn carriages, sleighs, and sulkies. His expertise and counsel were widely sought by many in the refinishing techniques of distressed wood and metal fixtures of the horseless-era coaches of early America.

He was a member of the American Legion and Disabled American Veterans.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter and a sister.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, of Columbia Falls; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wells of Newburgh, N.Y.; his daughters, Kathleen Curtis of Carpinteria, Calif., and Carol Thureno and son-in-law Ernie Thureno of East Rancho Dominguez, Calif.; three grandchildren; two brothers, Anson Curtis of Kingston, N.Y., and Oliver Curtis of Walden, N.Y.; a sister, Patty Ticehurst of Newburgh; a half-brother, Robert Wells of Newburgh; a step-brother and step-sister of New York; a sister-in-law, Mickey Wood of Anchorage, Alaska; and a brother-in-law and his wife, Logan and Patricia Campbell of Huntington Beach, Calif. He also leaves many other relatives and friends.

A funeral service will be held Monday at 10:30 a.m. at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls, with the Rev. Paul Taylor officiating.

Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls with military graveside honors provided by the V.F.W.

Visitation will be from noon until 5 p.m. at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls today. The casket will not be opened after the service.

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Lillian Crumley, 81

Lillian Mae Crumley, 81, Columbia Falls, died Nov. 5 at North Valley Extended Care after a long illness.

Lillian was preceded in death by four brothers and her husband. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Douglas (Virginia Lee) Ren of Columbia Falls and Mrs. Robert (Patricia) Morris of Whitefish; three sons; 17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home chapel. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell.

DI 27 DEC 1991

1991 Maurice Nelson Cusick, 82

Maurice "Gramps" Nelson Cusick, 82, Whitefish, died Dec. 27 at Kalispell Regional Hospital as the results of injuries received in an auto accident.

He was born Jan. 17, 1909, in Vermillion, S.D., a son of John and Lena Cusick. In 1911, his family

moved to a homestead in the Bissell area of the Flathead Valley.

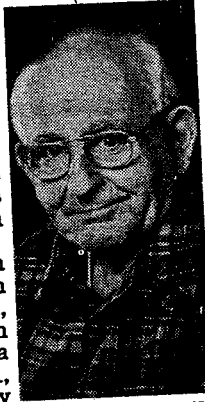
Maurice's career in state forestry began April 15, 1928, when he started as a forest laborer for the state of Montana. He then moved to packer, to brush foreman, to CCC enrollee from 1933 to 1934, CCC foreman from 1934 to 1936, and then promoted to forest fire warden in 1936 in the Stillwater State Forest, headquartered at Olney, until 1952. He then was woods foreman for the Diamond Match Company in northern Idaho, returning to Montana state forestry as a fire warden in 1954, where he worked until 1967.

Maurice was then promoted to supervisor of the Swan River State Forest. As a part of this job, he supervised the work and training of youth camp enrollees in forestry, carpentry, fire fighting, and related activities.

Maurice was also very involved in the Christmas tree business, both through his work and as a seasonal working vacations. He worked for Montana Evergreen for many years.

During his career he fought more than 600 forest fires.

Maurice retired on April 24, 1975. In that year in honor of Mr. Cusick and his work for Montana State



Forestry, a new operation plant was designated as the Maurice Cusick Equipment Development Center in Missoula.

Maurice loved Montana and was very proud to be involved with its growth. In his heart he was a part of the state.

After his retirement, Maurice continued to serve Montana by joining the state forester on official inspection trips throughout western Montana. His experience and expertise was always valued by his co-workers and friends.

Maurice stayed involved in his local community by serving on the Whitefish Planning Board, and until his death on the Whitefish Board of Adjustments.

His personal interests included woodworking, fishing, gardening, quilting and hunting. He was married to Evelyn Everhart in October 1938, and she preceded him in death on June 14, 1984.

He is now survived by three brothers, John Cusick of Tonasket, Wash., Neil Cusick of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Gary Cusick of Beaverton, Ore.; two sisters, Doris Runyon of Marion and Ruth Verley of Kent, Wash.; one son, Gordon Cusick of Vallejo, Calif.; two granddaughters, Jody Finley and Jackie Radford of Wasilla, Alaska; one grandson, Pat Roth of Aladein, Wyo.; four great-grandchildren; and many friends.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Ron Pierce of Swan Lake Chapel officiating. Burial will be made in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

A luncheon will be served at the Moose Home in Whitefish following the graveside rites.

There will be visitation at the Austin Funeral Home today from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to the charity of the donor's choice.